

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP (BRZEZINSKI, ZBIGNIEW)  
SUBJECT: BRZEZINSKI VISIT SCHEDULE

REF: SEOUL 4047

1. FOLLOWING DISPATCH REFTTEL, POLCOUNS, ON MY INSTRUCTION, REVIEWED WASHINGTON PROPOSED SCHEDULE WITH MOFA AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR PAK SANG-YONG. BEFORE POLCOUNS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO GET INTO SCHEDULING, PAK INQUIRED WHETHER MAY 25 DEPARTURE TIME OF 1200 HOURS WAS FIRM OR IF IT COULD BE SLIPPED TO 1330 OR 1400 HOURS. HE INDICATED CONSIDERATION WAS BEING GIVEN TO HOLDING A LUNCHEON FOR DR. BRZEZINSKI AND PARTY. WHEN PRESSED AS TO WHO MIGHT HOST LUNCHEON, PAK WAS SUFFICIENTLY VAGUE TO INDICATE THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD BE THE PROBABLE HOST. AT THIS STAGE HE WAS OBVIOUSLY OPERATING UNDER ASSUMPTION THAT VISIT WOULD FOLLOW NORMAL COURSE WITH FINAL CALL ON PRESIDENT.

2. PAK DID NOT APPEAR OVERLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND SAW DIFFICULTIES IN ARRANGING EARLY CALL ON THE PRESIDENT AND IN ARRANGING THREE-MINISTER GROUP DISCUSSION. BELIEVE IN THE LATTER INSTANCE HE WAS MERELY REFLECTING PREFERENCE OF HIS BOSS, FOREIGN MINISTER PAK TONGAJIN, WHO

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PREFERS, WHENEVER POSSIBLE, TO STAND ALONE IN THE SPOTLIGHT. PAK MADE NO DIRECT REPLY ON SCHEDULE REQUEST, STATING THAT HE WOULD DISCUSS IT WITH HIS SUPERIORS AND GET BACK TO POLCOUNS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
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